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## In Cuba Cell

Released Captive In Same Prison As Two Americans

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A Briton released from Cuba's La Cabana prison after serving eight months there said yesterday he shared a prison gallery with two Americans.

The freed man, John Clarke Bell, said he was under a four-year sentence on charges of violating the inte-grity and security of the state.

Mr. Bell said Frank Emmick, formerly of Toledo, is serving 30 years in La Cabana, and Richard Poyle, of

Chicago, 9 years.
Mr. Bell, 32, arrived Thursday night from Nassau, where he flew aboard a diplomatic plane from Havana He said the British embassy

helped obtain his freedom. Mr. Bell said he was master mariner for a forme. Cuban shipping line unti-leaving Cuba in 1961. "When I returned to settle some private affairs, I was arrested, he added.

## Former Toledoan Found Guilty In One-Day Tria

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ledo 16 years ago. In 1959, he went to Cuba and headed the Havana-American Club.

After a one-day trial by a military tribunal in Havana last April, Mr. Emmick was found guilty of alleged epionage against the Cuban government charged that the forernment charged that the for-mer Toledoan was in the pay of the U.S. Central Intelligence, who was a correspondent for the National Broad-casting Co. in Havana.

## Man Is Spy

Military Court Decides Guilt In 1-Day Trial

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convicted in Cuba on spy Echarges, left this area 16 ly ars ago, his former wife said last night.

Mrs. Rapkael Emmick, 1:35 Indiana Avel, said she has not heard from Mr. Emnick since they separated in New York City 12 years ago.
At that time, he was employed by a lock manufactur-

ing firm.
Mr. Emmick, 48, went to
Yow York as a representative Toledo Scale Corp., his former wife, a local bank emloyee, said. He became branch manager for Toledo Beale.

Mr. Emmick was arrested

Dec. 12. He was convicted in i one-day military court trial Thursday of being a spy in the service of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

According to Jecob Etter, Swiss consul in Havana in charge of American affairs, Mr. Emmick faces a 30-year prison sentence. Six Cubans allegedly hired by Mr. Em-mek to gather information

for him also were convicted. The prosecutor first asked the death penalty for all seven but reduced his request to a 30-year sentence. Sentencing could come today or Monday, the Swiss attache said.

Mr. Emmick was president of the American Club in Havanna at the time of his arrest.

The Swiss consul said Mr. Emmick was arrested because the prosecution claimed spy films were found in his jacket at the club.

. Mr. Emmick went to Cuba in 1959 and is married to a Cuban girl. He was a dealer in frog logs for a time.

His two children by his for-mer wife, a son, 18, and a doughter, 15, are with their mother here. Mrs. Emmick said she divorced her husband seven years ago.

One of Mr. Emmick's brothers, Brune, lives here, He has a sister, Mrs. Julia Jondro, who lives in Monroe, Mich. Another brother, Joseph, lives

in Florida. At one time Mr. Emmick sold insurance in Rossford and worked for Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass Co. No attended a business school in Toledo.